

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Appl. No. : 09/943,609 Confirmation No. 1937  
Applicant : Jeffery C. Beman, et al.  
Filed : 08/29/2001  
Title : SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR ESTIMATING AVAILABLE  
: PAYLOAD INVENTORY  
Group Art Unit : 3688  
Examiner : Daniel Lastra  
Docket No. : 193645.01/MFCP.145676  
Customer No. : 45809

**VIA EFS – May 7, 2009**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND AMENDMENT**

It is hereby requested that the time period for responding to the outstanding Non-Final Office Action mailed November 7, 2008 be extended for three months or until May 7, 2009. Submitted herewith by way of electronic payment is the petition fee of \$1,110.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(3). In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed November 7, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims:** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments:** begin on page 11 of this paper.